

Advanced Microbiology Specimen Collection and Culture Workup

There are several ways to participate in the teleconference. The only technical requirement for this program is a telephone, preferably a speakerphone. Participants must call into the teleconference toll-free number at the appropriate time. Participants can follow the speakers' presentation with copies of lecture handouts. To enhance the teleconference experience, the speakers' presentation can also be viewed on a computer screen or projected using an LCD projector connected to a computer.

Telephone Connection:

A telephone, preferably a speaker phone, is required to participate in this conference. Participants must call the toll-free number listed below. Please use one phone line per site.

Session II:

Call Date: January 11, 2005 (Tuesday)

Call Time: Dial in 12:45-1:00PM (ET), the program begins promptly at 1:00PM (ET)

Toll-Free Number: 888-322-8117 **Passcode**: SPECIMEN COLLECTION

Duration: 1 hr 30 mins **Leader**: Ms. Patricia Dostert

Course Materials:

Before the teleconference

- Print speaker handouts and duplicate for participants. Site representatives can access course handouts and references by logging on to: http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/nltn/NPHTCS/amsccw2.aspx
- 2. To enhance the teleconference:
 - a. Use a speakerphone.
 - b. Load the speaker's PowerPoint presentation onto a computer connected to a LCD projector, if available.

On the Day of the teleconference

- 1. Participants are encouraged to dial in early, it may take a few minutes for the connection to become active.
- 2. The toll-free dial-in number will become active at 12:45 PM (ET).
- 3. Please use one phone line per site.
- 4. The operator will ask for the leader's name, passcode, the type of laboratory; either public health or clinical, state and the number of participants at the site.
- 5. The teleconference will begin promptly at 1:00 PM (ET).
- 6. To enhance the teleconference synchronize the PowerPoint handout displayed on your computer with the teleconference.
- 7. If time permits, a 15-minute question and answer session will end the program. The operator will instruct participants to:
 - a. Dial *1 with a question
 - b. Dial *2 to withdraw a question.
 - c. The operator will use your first name only to introduce the question.
 - d. When asking a question, please do not provide personal information.

After the teleconference:

An online system will be used to process course evaluations and distribute CEU certificates. This process requires access to the World Wide Web. A valid email address is also required, a personal email account is not necessary. For individuals without a personal email address, a valid laboratory or institutional email address is acceptable. The evaluation/CEU URL will be available at the conclusion of the conference and will be available until January 28, 2005.

Please note: NLTN and PHTN will not fax, mail or email CEU certificates.

To obtain a CEU certificate:

- 1. Each participant must register and complete an evaluation form. The registration and evaluation process takes several minutes. For returning participants, the evaluation process is even shorter.
- 2. To register, each participant must log on to: www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtnonline

Click on "New Participant" to enter demographic information.

Click on "Participant Login" if returning to this website.

- 3. Follow the prompts through the registration and evaluation process
- 4. Course verification code:

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- 5. At the end of this process each participant will be able to print a CEU certificate.
- 6. If participants encounter problems with this process, a help section is available on PHTN's website. It can also be found at this url address: http://www.phppo.cdc.gov/phtnonline/help.asp

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